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In re Application of:

Lawrence GREENFIELD, et al.

Serial No.: 09/997,169

Filed: November 28, 2001

For: COMPOSITIONS, METHODS, AND
KITS FOR ISOLATING NUCLEIC
ACIDS USING SURFACTANTS
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Applicants now respond to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 25 to read as follows:

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